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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 26, 2006 (Paper No. 05172006), for which a response was due on August 26, 2006. August 26, 2006 fell on a Saturday. Accordingly, this response, filed on August 28, 2006, is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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